

CAPTAIN ROBERT DUNN.

DECEMBER 21, 1831.

MR. HUBBARD, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

*The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Robert Dunn, report:*

That the petitioner asks the benefit of the act of May, 1828, alleging that he served until the close of the war.

It is in evidence, that he entered the service of the United States in the year 1776, as an express rider of the army, in a company attached to the quartermaster general's department, under the command of General Green. That he continued in this service, was sent on dangerous and distant expresses through the country of the enemy and the Indians—that he was in the battle of Princeton, and at the siege of Yorktown—that his duties were as severe and as arduous as the duties of any who were in the line of the army. He also served under Colonel Pickering when he entered upon the office of quartermaster general, who gave him a commission, or warrant as captain of express riders.

In 1782, when the express service was discontinued or reduced, he entered into a troop of horse commanded by Captain Walker, where he acted as quartermaster sergeant. This company was attached to a regiment ordered out for the defence of the coast of New Jersey, whilst the enemy still kept possession of New York; and in this capacity he faithfully served until the close of the war, and was honorably discharged.

The petitioner is more than seventy-two years of age, and is wholly destitute of property.

The Secretary of the Treasury has decided that his case is not embraced within the express provisions of the act of Congress of May, 1828. The committee are of opinion that he, in equity, ought to receive the benefit of said act, and they, therefore, report a bill.

